year 1985. These figures include workers who are in receipt of monthly wage of Rs. -1600|-. Figures are as under:

Year	All India per capita daily earnings		Percentage rise in real earnings over previous year
	Money earnings	Real earnings	
1983	28.00	28.00	..
1984	31.55	29.19	4.25
1985	34.06	29.88	2.36

Loss to NCCF on rejection of rice by foreign buyers

2167. SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to refer to reply to Unstarred Question 1893 given in the Rajya Sabha on 10th March, 1989 and state:

(a) what was the exact quantity of the rice rejected by Foreign Buyers of NCCF at Kandla Port during 1981-82 being declared as inferior and sub-standard quality other than that damaged by cyclone at Kandla Port on which a rebate of US $ 10.00 per quintal was given by NCCF to the foreign buyer; and

(b) the details or disciplinary action taken by NCCF against the then Regional Manager (North)?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) and (b) NCCF have reported that 10775 MTs of IR-8 rice and 7073 MTs of PR-106 rice were found to be containing higher broken percentage and consequently could not be loaded to the ships before the rain and cyclone at the Kandla Port. The rebate of US $ 10.00 MT was allowed in the shipment of 9552 MTs of IR-8 rice as per the records of NCCF. Due to prolonged storage of the stocks in the open space at Kandla Port, on account of delay in nomination of vessels by the foreign buyers, the stocks were exposed to extreme heat resulting in higher broken percentages. No action has been taken against the then Regional Manager (North) in this respect.

Charges against some officers of NCCF

2168. SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to refer to reply to Unstarred Question 2934 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 19th August, 1988 and state:

(a) whether the investigation by CBI was initiated in Iraqui Dry Dates much prior to July, 1987; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons for not serving the charge sheet framed against Controller of Accounts and Finance of NCCF framed in April, 1987 and why no departmental action has been taken against him?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) and (b) The Department of Civil Supplies had requested the CBI to take up investigation into the case of import of dry dates in March, 1987. Accordingly, the CBI has taken possession of the related books and records of the NCCF. In the absence of the relevant documents, the NCCF could not serve the charge sheet to Controller of Accounts and Finance framed earlier. The CBI have not so far furnished their report in this case.

Loss to NCCF on replacement of dry dates

2169. SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to refer to replies to Unstarred Question 1213 and 1219 given in Rajya Sabha on the 3rd March, 1989 and state:

(a) whether the then Chief Manager Business NCCF signed the said agreement dated the 16th February, 1988 with M|s. Khanna Motors, Delhi without the prior

approval of the competent authority and without any other officer of NCCF having witnessed the Agreement providing for furnishing of Bank Guarantee of Rs. 5 lakhs as per clause 8 for due performance of duties of the Transporters;

(b) whether the same Chief Manager (Business) subsequently arbitrarily waived the condition of furnishing bank guarantee by the Transporter obviously giving benefit to the Transporter thereby loosening the grip of NCCF on the Transporter;

(c) what is the progress of Investigations by CID Police of Delhi into replacement of Dry-Dates;

(d) whether this matter also has been referred to CBI when the whole matter of Import and Disposal of Dry-Date is already being investigated by them and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) what departmental disciplinary action has been taken against the Chief Manager.

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) The agreement signed by NCCF on 16th February, 1988 did not specify any amount for bank guarantee and the same was signed by the Chief Manager (Business) after obtaining general approval of the competent authority. However, no signatures of any witness was appended to that agreement.

(b) Does not arise in view of reply to part (a) above.

(c) The investigations are still in progress.

(d) Since the matter under investigation of the CID, Delhi Police is a separate one, it can not be referred to CBI alongwith the import case, until Delhi Police complete their investigations.

(e) In view of the replies to parts (a) and (b) above, the question does not arise.

Action against Regional Manager (North) NCCF, Bombay

2170. SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to refer to reply to Unstarred Question 1223 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 3rd March, 1989 and state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the News item which published in the *Maharashtra Times* of 21st December, 1988 under the caption "71 HARJARANIHA APHAR, TINGHNAVAR NOTISA"

(b) if so, what action is proposed to be taken against the said officer;

(c) whether this Officer is also involved in the purchase of 1500 MT Toor Dhal from Nagpur and other parts of Maharashtra at the higher rates for supplying to Gujarat State; and

(d) if so, what disciplinary action is being taken against the said officer who is now posted against the key post of Regional Manager (North) with Hqrs., at Delhi?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The NCCF has reported that the Court of Judicial Magistrate, Kolhapur has not issued any summon to Shri K. G. Kulkarni, Regional Manager (West) of the NCCF so far, for the alleged irregularities committed by Shri K. G. Kulkarni while working as General Manager of the Kolhapur Janata Central Cons. Store Ltd., Kolhapur.

(c) and (d) NCCF was reported that the Ahmedabad branch of the NCCF had received an order from the Gujarat State Civil Supplies Corporation for supply of 1500 MTs of Toor Dal. The Ahmedabad branch of the NCCF in turn placed this order with the Nagpur Dal Mill of the NCCF. The Nagpur Dal Mill of the NCCF had supplied some stocks of the Toor Dal against this order from out of the stocks available with them and the remaining quantity was purchased by the Nagpur branch of NCCF